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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Original) A motorcycle helmet for playing an audio compact disc, the motorcycle helmet comprising:

a helmet being adapted for protecting a head of a user from impact, said helmet having a perimeter wall defining an interior space, said perimeter wall having a lower peripheral lip defining a lower opening such that said lower opening is adapted for permitting the head of the user to be inserted into said interior space of said helmet, said perimeter wall having a forward peripheral lip defining a front opening such that said front opening is adapted for permitting the user to see when the head of the user is positioned in said interior space;

a playing assembly being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, said playing assembly being adapted for reading audio information from a compact disc; and

each of a plurality of speakers being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, each of said speakers being operationally coupled to said playing assembly, each of said speakers being adapted for audibly playing the audio information read by said playing assembly.

2. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

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said helmet having a visor portion, said visor portion being positioned in said front opening of said helmet, said visor portion being adapted for deflecting wind around said helmet and out of the eyes of the user.

3. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a plurality of buttons being operationally coupled to said playing assembly, said buttons being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet proximate said front opening of said helmet such that said buttons are adapted for being easily accessible by the user, each of said buttons being for controlling a function of said playing assembly when said buttons are actuated by the user.

4. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 3, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a play button, said play button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly reads audio information from the compact disk received by said playing assembly.

5. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a stop button, said stop button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly discontinues reading of audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

6. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a pause button, said pause button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly pauses reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button

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is actuated once by the user, said playing assembly being adapted for resuming reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button is actuated a second time by the user.

7. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a search button, said search button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly fast forwards through the audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

8. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a skip button, said skip button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly skips to the audio information of the next song on the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

9. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a volume button, said volume button being for actuating said playing assembly for controlling the volume of said speakers.

10. (Currently Amended) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

said helmet having a lid member, said lid member being pivotally coupled to said perimeter wall of said helmet, said lid member being positioned adjacent said playing assembly, said lid member being pivotable between an open position and a closed position, said lid member being adapted for permitting the compact disc to be operationally coupled to said playing assembly when said lid member is in said open position, said lid

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member being adapted for covering the compact disc when said lid member is in said closed position.

11. (Original) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 10, further comprising:

a lid button being operationally coupled to said lid member, said lid button being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet proximate said front opening of said helmet such that said lid button is adapted for being easily accessible by the user, said lid button being for permitting said lid member to be pivoted between said open position and said closed position when said lid button is actuated by the user.

12. (Currently Amended) A motorcycle helmet for playing an audio compact disc, the motorcycle helmet comprising:

a helmet being adapted for protecting a head of a user from impact, said helmet having a perimeter wall defining an interior space, said perimeter wall having a lower peripheral lip defining a lower opening such that said lower opening is adapted for permitting the head of the user to be inserted into said interior space of said helmet, said perimeter wall having a forward peripheral lip defining a front opening such that said front opening is adapted for permitting the user to see when the head of the user is positioned in said interior space;

a playing assembly being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, said playing assembly being adapted for reading audio information from a compact disc;

each of a plurality of speakers being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, each of said speakers being operationally coupled to said

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playing assembly, each of said speakers being adapted for audibly playing the audio information read by said playing assembly;

said helmet having a visor portion, said visor portion being positioned in said front opening of said helmet, said visor portion being adapted for deflecting wind around said helmet and out of the eyes of the user;

a plurality of buttons being operationally coupled to said playing assembly, said buttons being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet proximate said front opening of said helmet such that said buttons are adapted for being easily accessible by the user, each of said buttons being for controlling a function of said playing assembly when said buttons are actuated by the user;

said buttons comprising a play button, said play button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly reads audio information from the compact disk received by said playing assembly;

said buttons comprising a stop button, said stop button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly discontinues reading of audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button;

said buttons comprising a pause button, said pause button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly pauses reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button is actuated once by the user, said playing assembly being adapted for resuming reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button is actuated a second time by the user;

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said buttons comprising a search button, said search button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly fast forwards through the audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button;

said buttons comprising a skip button, said skip button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly skips to the audio information of the next song on the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button;

said buttons comprising a volume button, said volume button being for actuating said playing assembly for controlling the volume of said speakers;

said helmet having a lid member, said lid member being pivotally coupled to said perimeter wall of said helmet, said lid member being positioned adjacent said playing assembly, said lid member being pivotable between an open position and a closed position, said lid member being adapted for permitting the compact disc to be operationally coupled to said playing assembly when said lid member is in said open position, said lid member being adapted for covering the compact disc when said lid member is in said closed position; and

a lid button being operationally coupled to said lid member, said lid button being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet proximate said front opening of said helmet such that said lid button is adapted for being easily accessible by the user, said lid button being for permitting said lid member to be pivoted between said open position and said closed position when said lid button is actuated by the user.

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New Claims:

13. (New) A motorcycle helmet for playing an audio compact disc, the motorcycle helmet comprising:

a helmet being adapted for protecting a head of a user from impact, said helmet having a perimeter wall defining an interior space, said perimeter wall having a lower peripheral lip defining a lower opening such that said lower opening is adapted for permitting the head of the user to be inserted into said interior space of said helmet, said perimeter wall having a forward peripheral lip defining a front opening such that said front opening is adapted for permitting the user to see when the head of the user is positioned in said interior space;

a playing assembly being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, said playing assembly being adapted for reading audio information from a compact disc;

each of a plurality of speakers being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet, each of said speakers being operationally coupled to said playing assembly, each of said speakers being adapted for audibly playing the audio information read by said playing assembly; and

said helmet having a lid member, said lid member being pivotally coupled to said perimeter wall of said helmet, said lid member being positioned adjacent said playing assembly, said lid member being pivotable between an open position and a closed position, said lid member being adapted for permitting the compact disc to be operationally coupled to said playing assembly when said lid member is in said open position, said lid member being adapted for covering the compact disc when said lid member is in said closed position.

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14. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 13, further comprising:

a plurality of buttons being operationally coupled to said playing assembly, said buttons being positioned in said perimeter wall of said helmet proximate said front opening of said helmet such that said buttons are adapted for being easily accessible by the user, each of said buttons being for controlling a function of said playing assembly when said buttons are actuated by the user.

15. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 14, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a play button, said play button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly reads audio information from the compact disk received by said playing assembly.

16. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a stop button, said stop button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly discontinues reading of audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

17. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a pause button, said pause button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly pauses reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button is actuated once by the user, said playing assembly being adapted for resuming reading of audio information from the compact disc when said pause button is actuated a second time by the user.

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18. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a search button, said search button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly fast forwards through the audio information from the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

19. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a skip button, said skip button being for actuating said playing assembly such that said playing assembly skips to the audio information of the next song on the compact disc when the user has previously actuated said play button.

20. (New) The motorcycle helmet as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

said buttons comprising a volume button, said volume button being for actuating said playing assembly for controlling the volume of said speakers.